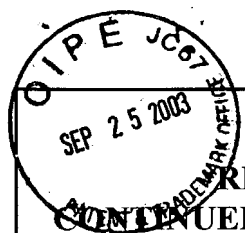


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**REQUEST FOR
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective May 29, 2000,
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Application Number:	09/973,142
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First Named Inventor:	Biediger et al.
Group Art Unit:	1625
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted:
 - i. ☐ Consider the Amendment(s)/Reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
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Basic Fee					\$375.00		\$750.00
Total Claims	31	- 20 =	11	x \$9.00	\$99.00	x \$18.00	\$
Indep. Claims	12	- 3 =	9	x \$42.00	\$378.00	x \$84.00	\$
Multiple Dependent Claims Present				+ \$140.00	\$	+ \$280.00	\$
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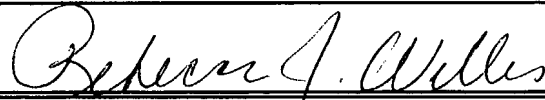
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) Their Receptors

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